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The Nevada City Nugget helps your city and county to grow in population and prosperity. By subscribing to, and advertising in the Nugget, therefore, you help yourself.

Thinking Out Loud

H. M. L.

Currently a plausible stranger has appealed to the city council to permit the establishment in the Nevada City Tavern of a new "skilled amusement" game. The skill consists in pushing a button in time to stop, on either the red or the black an electric roulette wheel. The "skilled amusement" phrase is sheer camouflage. It is a gambling game which the state statutes expressly prohibit. It was introduced a year or so ago in Los Angeles and was thrown out by the police under public pressure. The same thing happened to it in most of the beach resorts of Southern California. This game of "skill" has a malodorous reputation in the "Southland."

It is not proposed to discuss this matter of gambling from a high moral standpoint, or to weigh very carefully the glib plea for this "innocent" game, in which all the merchants will benefit, due to the fact all winnings are payable in tokens, only redeemable in merchandise over the counters of our local merchants. This generous offer, of course, is only for the purpose of making the reputable business men of this community partners in a purely gambling enterprise. Nor will we discuss the farther offer of the applicant of a handsome license fee to the city, which would also place the city government in partnership in an illegal enterprise.

What we wish to comment on is the specious argument that such enterprises, roulette wheels, poker games, shell and pea games, monte, black jack and a host of other devices for separating the simple minded and their money, bring prosperity to the community which tolerates them. It is undoubtedly true that boss gamblers are a medium through which flow large sums of money. They are only a medium, however, for the reason that only rarel does any gambler keep any considerable sum that he wins, or, if you prefer "earns," and settles down to become a solid, substantial taxpaying citizen. He flits in and out, hither and yon, ever looking for greener pastures. But as a medium for receiving and disbursing money he diverts large sums of money from the ordinary bread and butter channels, clothes, furniture, food and home building, into what are ordinarily known as vice channels. That is to say, by his various activities he attracts a following of the ragtag and bobtail, the ner'er-do-wells, the shiftless ,the pan handlers, and undesirables generally.

Any prosjerity a community may base on a class of this kind is more apparent than real. The reason it is more apparent than real, is because of the long term of years that lapses between cause and effect. For aside from your ordinary gambling habitues, who may be any age, cursed for all time by the gambling fever, the appeal of gambling is mainly to youth. Between youth and old age is a long interval which tax payers generally lose sight of. It has been our observation that very few men look ahead more than five years. The greater proportion see no further than one year. Between the interval of a wasted youth and the county poor farm, is too long a time for most tax payers, who must support the county poor farm, to take into account.

Now by youth we don't mean necessarily minors, though law or no law, minors will gamble if their elders do. We mean rather the young men who are earning their first dollars by the sweat of their brow. A certain percentage, a larger percentage than many would guess, fall for gambling. And when old age comes, like the proverbial grass hopper, they have nothing saved, and the tax payers must support them. In Nevada county, for instance, next to the schools and roads, old age pensions are the largest item of county expense

Why this load on the tax payers? Largely because our happy-go-lucky forefathers permitted, or ecquiesced in, community conditions which tended to destroy the character, the good citizenship qualities, if you please, of the city's youth a generation ago. We pay the bill today. This bill under the spur of the national government is constantly growing larger. The sober and industrious citizens are carrying more and more of the indigent on their backs.

Of course gambling is only one of many contributing causes to old age indigency. But they all pertain to one thing, namely, wasted youth. This proposal, therefore, to introduce in Nevada City an illegal gambling game, aside from any meral consideration of any kind. is just another proposal to increase county taxes If the gambling industry were taxed to support the human wreckage it creates, there would be no gambling. Instead of that, the prudent and thrifty must carry the load in their tax bills.

Trial of Two Newman Brothers, Accused of Myer Murder, Opens

Contrary to the general expectation the court room today was not overcrowded when the case of the People vs. Monte and Merritt Newman was called for trial this morning by Judge Raglan Tuttle. Appearing for the people were District Attorney Vernon Stoll and Attorney John Larue. The defendants were represented by Attorneys E. H. Armstrong and W. J. Cassetari.

The first division of the 100 persons drawn on the jury venire appeared in court today Many failed to qualify but at three o'clock this afternoon the following twelve had been provisionally accepted.

Charles Genasci, Adam C. Hunsinger, Jos. A. LeDuc, Hilda Sandow, Mrs. Thelma Jackson, John Zunoni, Colonel A. Rowe, Nellie Kitts, Geo. Gildersleeve, Mrs. Maud Bone, Eugene Girou, and Percy Gribble.

These twelve are subject to 50 prereremptory challenges of which the defense has twenty, the prosecution twenty and the two defendants five each.

Monte and Merritt Newman accused of the murder of Chritian Myer on the morning of January 16, did not appear unduly concerned during the questioning of prospective jurymen. Their mother and the wife of Monte Newman were present in the court.

From the questioning of proposed jurors by District Attorney Stoll it was apparent that, provided the evidence warrants it, he will ask for a verdict of murder in the first degree, which carries the death penalty or life improsinment, depending upon the recommendation of the jury.

The district attorney explained that the California law makes no distinction between direct and circumstantial evidence, and that the California law also makes no distinction between those who commit a crime and those who are accessories. With this preface he asked all prospective jurors if they were prepudiced against capital punishment, and if they were willing to regard direct and cirmustantial evidence as equal value in coming to a conclusion regarding the guilt or innocence of the defendants.

The twelve jurors provisionally accepted at three o'clock this afternoon may all be dismissed through the exercise of peremptory challenges on the part of the defense or the prosecution.

ROBERT HATHAWAY, 56 SUCCUMBS TODAY

Robert Hathaway, 56, prominent Nevada County millwright and former Sacramento contractor, died this morning in Jones Memorial hospital in Grass Valley following an emergency abdominal operation.

Mr. Hathaway, who was to have charge of the construction of the new Methodist church in Grass Valley to replace sthe one destroyed by fire recently, was one of the best known residents of Grass Valley.

He was a native of Nevada City but thirteen years ago left for Sacramento to follow contracting in that city. He returned three years ago. He was a millwright and supervised the construction of the head frames of the Idaho-Maryland, Empire, Old Brunswick and other important mines in the Grass Valley area, and the Kenton mine at Alleghany.

He leaves his wife, a daughter, Mrs. George Whitney, recently married; his mother, Mrs. E. S. Hathaway; and a sister, Miss Jessie Hathaway. Funeral services are being arranged by the W. R. Jefford and Son Funeral Chapel of Grass Valley.

BEN SWEENEY TO ENTER SAN JOSE STATE COLLEGE

Ben Sweeney, employed during the last year by the U. S. Forest Service in this city, will leave Wednesday to enroll in the English department of San Jose State College.

A graduate of Nevada City high school, Class of 1934, Ben matriculated at the College of the Pacific as a freshman after which he returned to this city. He also has been employed by the Nevada City Nugget as high school reporter during the past year.

Good wisnes of his many friends go with Ben. He was very active in the younger set in this city.

Mrs. Charles Genasci and daughters, Misses Faye and Josephone Genasci, returned Saturday night from a weeks vacation spent in Stockton, San Francisco and Calistoga.

LAST RITES FOR LATE MRS. EVALINE WILLIAMS

Funeral services for the late Mrs. Nellie Evaline Williams were held this afternoon at two o'clock in the Holmes Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. H. H. Buckner officiating. Interment was in the new I. O. O. F. cemetery.

The deceased, 67 years of age, passed away at her home on Boulder street Friday evening at eight o'clock after a week of severe illness, which followed a prolonged period of ill health.

Mrs. Williams was born in Iowa in 1869. When an infant she came to this section and lived in the Quaker Hill section where she attended the schools. Later the family moved to Nevada City. Mrs. Williams had a large circle of friends in this city who will mourn her loss. Surviving her are: her husband, Charles Williams, two sons, Luther Marsh of this city and Carl Marsh of Livermore, a daughter, Mrs Helen Berger of this city, and two stepdaughters, Mrs. Carl Tobiassen of this city and Mrs. Jack Townsend of Grass Valley.

Deceased was a member of Evangeline Chapter, O. E. S.

AUNT OF NEVADA CITY MAN IS 100 YEARS OLD

J. F. Dolan of Nevada City was surprised last week to note the following facts in a San Francisco paper of September 10, about his aunt.

In Ripley's Believe It Or Not cartoons was an inspiring story of a life dedicated to service. It is Sister Genevieve and Ripley claims she has been a Sister of Charity for 75 years. It was verified by her nephew Officer Arthur Dolan of San Francisco police department. Sister Genevieve and family arrived in San Francisco on a sailing ship in 1850. The men went to the gold mines and the women opened a miners boarding house. But Aunt Genevieve and sister, Aunt Regina, later took the vows of Charity of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul when they were 20 and 18 years of age respectively. Sister Gennevieve was sent at once to Birmingham, Ala., where she has served as a Sister of Mercy ever since. She is almost 100 years old and still active.

Sister Regina died in 1903 aged 91, at the de Paul Retreat House in New Orleans.

Mrs. William Walther and George Dolan a municipal railway employee of San Francisco are also niece and nephews respectively.

Frank Phelps and Irving Fowler, mining men of Washington, were Nevada City visitors over the week end.

SWIMMING POOL CLOSES TUESDAY

The swimming pool in Pioneers park will be closed tomorrow for this season. This was decided upon yesterday by the Nevada City Park Commission following a conference with the life guard, Verle Gray and his report that, owing to the cold weather and colder water very few, sometimes not more than twenty, patronized the baths during the day.

The commission ordered bills amounting to $105 paid, and will retain Gray for a few days to put everything in order for the winter about the pool, change rooms and Seaman's Lodge.

THREE BRONZE PLACQUES READY FOR DEDICATION

On October 18 the Grand Officer of N. S. G. W., N. D. G. W. and the Landmarks Committee of the Grand Parlor, N. S. G. W., will dedicate three bronze placques marking the routes of Pioneer trails, and also a tribute to a valiant Nevada county officer who died performing his duty.

The trails were traveled by the gold rush and home seekers to this virgin territory as they traveled the weary distances and crossed the great mountains to the east to reach the land of gold and a promised paradise.

On two of the placques marking these pioneer trails the inscriptions will read as follows:

Pioneer Emigrant Trails

A branch of the Pioneer Emigrant Trail, leading from Truckee Pass to the gold mines of Nevada County and to the Valley of the Sacramento divided on Harmony Ridge near the site of Lone Grave. One route circled the north horizon to Blue Tent, down to Selby Flat, up through this gap and on south.

Tablets placed by landmarks committee, Native Sons of the Golden West.

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The third piece of bronze to mark a trail will do double duty. It is already cast and in the hands of L. Netz, quarryman of this city, who will set in the large curved boulder near the home of Mrs. Anna Godfrey on East Broad street, where Indians before the advent of white men took sun baths lying on its hot surface to cure ills much as we moderns now do under scientific direction.

The tribute to Sheriff Dave Douglass is not yet cast as the financing has not been completed.

Members of Hydraulic Parlor's local committee are doing much of the actual work of building. Cement foundations for the granite pedestal to hold the bronze in the gap west of Sugar Loaf mountain were laid Sunday by Bob Tusker and Carey Arbogast.

NEVADA COUNTY GOLD WINS FIRST PRIZE AT FAIR

W. H. Griffith, secretary of the Nevada City Chamber of Commerce and incharge of the Nevada County exhibit at the State Fair reports that Nevada County again wins first place with its gold exhibits and also receives some first prizes in fruit. His report follows:

Placer gold—first.

Lode gold specimens—first.

Gold bearing gravels—second.

Silver and silver ores—third.

Apples from the Loma Rica, Nevada County, received awards as follows:

King David—first prize, Delicious second prize.

He Promised a Reduction

President Roosevelt has added more than 50 bureaus in the operation of the government.

Story of Meeting With Brigham Young Told by California Pioneer

The following story written by the late Henry Homes Bigelow, father of R. L. P. Bigelow who played a prominent part in the development of California in 1860-80 is of unusual interest since it throws another beam of light across the now romantic, but that time (1868) high realistic, competition between the Central and the Union Pacific Railroads for the huge transportation empire of the Pacific Coast, the Rocky Mountain states, and the Salt Lake Basin.

Incidentally the author's acquaintance and friendship with such men as Senator Leland Stanford, Gen. William Tecumseh Sherman and other great figures of the time, are of much historical value. The late Mr. Bigelow's meeting with Brigham Young, president of the Mormon church and director of that great independent principality which the Mormons had established in the heart of the primitive west, and which Young ruled with all the absolutism of a dictator, deserves a paragraph in any modern historical commentary of that epoch. The article printed here for the first time, by the courtesy of the late author's son, R. L. P. Bigelow, follows:

It was in August 1868; as General Agent of the Pacific Insurance Company I made the overland trip to Salt Lake and Denver. The Central Pacific railroad was completed to Minnemucca, Nevada, and the Union Pacific was opened to the Bad Lands at Rollins in Wyoming. I had to fill the gap by stage.

I was fully supplied with a Henry rifle, a fishing rod that cost me $50.00, blankets and with letters from General Hallack. The Bank of California, Sam Brarman and divers other notables of San Francisco, Army Posts, Banks and Churchmen of Utah, Wyoming, Colorado and Montana; and I felt that I was going to have a good time and plenty of adventure, and I found lots of both before I got back from my three month's trip in the Rockies and beyond.

The Central Pacific was rushing its line across the desert and the Union Pacific had jumped the gap between Rollins Springs and Great Salt Lake, and was grading from Arber Canyon west, seeking to gobble Utah trade by premption or pre-occupation of right of way. At Winnemucca I took the box seat beside the driver early in the summer morning and began my one thousand mile ride across alkali, up the Humboldt River, dark and stinking in its sluggish flow through white wastes of salt and sand to its sink in Humboldt Lake, a most desolate Godforsaken region as eye ever beheld. We passed camps of railroad workers largely Chinese, met Strawbridge, that giant grader and railroad rusher who built the Central from start to finish, had a few Indian scares beyond Humboldt Springs and finally one evening passed the lower end of the Great Salt Lake across big windrows of dead grass hoppers washed up from its briny waters. We rolled into Salt Lake City tired, dusty and ready to rest at the Mormon Tavern. At the Townsend House, I found Governor Bagler and Governor Stanford seated on the piazza, who gave me a hearty welcome as somebody from God's country, California.

The next day after visiting the Walker Brothers to whom I was consigned, Fred Walker went with me to call on the President, Brigham Young at the Lion House. As we walked up Temple street with it double line of sycamore trees and a sparkling niver of cold mountain water rushing down each side of the street, with white cottages peeping out of a mass of green foliage all around, I thought it was the most beautiful city I had even seen, and I had seen many even then. We stopped at the foundation of the Great

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MRS. BENJAMIN HALL ANSWERS DEATH SUMMONS

Funeral services for the late Mrs. Jennie Hall, wife of Mayor Benjamin Hall were held this morning at 10:30 at the Holmes Funeral Home with the Rev. Charles Washburn officiating. A very large number of friends came to pay their tribute of honor. A great profusion of flowers pieces were mute token of affection for Mrs. Hall.

For many years Mrs. Hall has been a beloved character in Nevada City and Nevada county and took an active party in community, club and church affairs.

Mrs. Hall had been in poor health for a long time and for the past four weeks had been gravely ill. Her passing was on Saturday at her home on Pine street shortly after noon. At her bedside was her husband, Mapor Hall.

Mrs. Hall was born in Redruth, Cornwall, England on November 28, 1872. She came to this country with her parents when she was but three months old. Her family settled in Gold Flat. For some ten years they lived there, later moving into this city.

It was here that she met Benjamin Hall, both being devout members of the Methodist church in those days. In 1892 they were united in marriage, and for 14 years the happy union has continued.

Surviving Mrs. Hall are a son, Robert Robins Hall of San Francisco and a daughter, Mrs. Verna L. Richards of Berkeley. Also surviving are a niece, Mrs. Clara George of Grass Valley and two nephews Alfred Reynolds of Nevada City and Tom Reynolds of Sacramento.

During the earlier years of her life, deceased was noted as a singer and was a member of the church choir for many years. She often sang with her brother, the late John Robins, a noted tenor of his day.

Throughout her life Mrs. Hall took an active interest in civic affairs and the welfare of the city she loved so well. At the time of her death she was treasurer of the Women's Civic Club. She had always been a very active member and her earnest cooperation was given to every club project.

Mrs. Hall was loved by every member of the club and her passing leaves a vacancy that cannot be filled. In her quiet gentle way she was a very real help in all those measures that were for the betterment of community. Her sweet welcome to new members will always be remembered by them.

She was active in church work all her life and was a member of the Ladies Aid Society and St. Agnes Guild of the Episcopal church.

For many years Mrs. Hall had been a member and officer of Evangeline Chapter, Eastern Star of this city. At the time of her death she was treasurer of the chapter.

Rev. Charles Washburn conducted the funeral services and Evangeline Chapter of Eastern Star conducted the ritualistic service of the order. Interment was at Pine Grove cemetery. The pall bearers were Messrs. Joe Stenger, Garfield Robinson, Charles Ninnis, Tom Richards, Alvin Richards and George Calanan.

GRAMMER SCHOOL SHOWS INCREASED ENROLLMENT

Principal Walter Carlson of the Washington grammar school reports 399 pupils enrolled this morning, which is 33 more than on the entering date last year. Mr. Carlson stated he believed there are many more pupils who will enter school within the next few days. Forty nine children graduated from the school last spring. The principal also stated the attendance has increased every year since he has been teaching in the local school.

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On Freedom Of The Press

(Contributed)

Of course the freedom of the press in the nation at large will not be directly affected by the ideas of a state judge in Connecticut. But a declaration made at a banquet the other day by a high court justice there, had an ominous tone about it that most of would prefer never to hear anywhere in America.

He said he was ready to "stand beside" any Connecticut trial judge who imposed restrictions on the press.

Then he named a few he thought "desirable": that "only newspapers which can be amenable to discipline" should be permitted in the courtroom; that newspapers having general circulation in the state should, "perhaps under close restrictions," be admitted; and that various other conditions be enforced.

The ominous part about such statements is that they are unnecessary. Newspapers, like everyone else who enters a courtroom, are subject to contempt proceedings. Is that not enough, without aggressive declarations about special restrictions?

Few persons will deny the need for vigilance against anything savoring of controlled press advocacy. For without freedom of the press, as well as its twin safeguard, freedom of speech, democracy could not long survive. Nor could the Constitution, whose birth, incidentally, we are observing this very week.

Any American, if he could live for a while in one of the dictatorships of Europe, would probably agree heartily with the view voiced by Thomas Jefferson when he said he'd rather live in a country where there was no government at all, than in one where the press was not free.

Immense Boulder Dam

(Contributed)

For sheer immensity, Boulder Dam has no rival among all the works of man. When the tap of a tiny telegraph key three thousand miles away opened all its outlet valves for last week's dedication ceremony, it released a cataract mightier than Niagara, and several feet higher. Water poured down at the rate of 300,000 cubic feet a minute. More thousands of tons of concrete have been poured into this engineering project than any other ever completed. The 17-million dollar power plant will have a capacity load of 1,835,000 horsepower more than double the electrical energy generated at Niagara Falls on the American side. It will spread power and water over thirty million acres of land.

The Last Deadline

(Contributed)

What's this, another registration deadline?

That is so—only this one's different. It's the real, genuine, official and final deadline of them all. If you haven't signed up your right to cast a ballot by Thursday, September 24, you'll be out of the swim entirely.

You'll have lost your chance to vote, on November 3, for a President of the United States, an assorted collection of U. S. Congressmen and state legislators, and two dozen ballot propositions touching upon almost every conceivable subject.

The man without a vote will be the forgotten man in this fair land for the next month and a half. And no one with a spark of public spirit in him could sit on the sidelines during the political battle of the century.

So, if you've not done so yet this year, by all means do register now, before it's too late. You've only a few days left.

PUBLISHERS OF STATE CONDEMN SEATTLE STRIKE

The executive committee and State Advisory Council of the California Newspaper Publishers Association, representing 337 newspapers in California, meeting in San Francisco early this month, passed the following resolution pertaining to the strike on the Seattle Post-Intelligencer:

WHEREAS, the absolute freedom of the press is a right fundamental to the public welfare; and

WHERAS, our whole Democratic system of government is based upon the will of the mapority; and

WHEREAS, those who won our independence believed, as we believed, that freedom to think as you will and to speak as you think, are means indispensable to the discovery and spread of truth and sound government; and

WHEREAS, under our Democratic system of government, the maintenance of free and public discussion of public questions in a free press is the duty of the press of the United States, protected by the Federal Constitution from invasion or abridgment from any source whatsoever; and

WHEREAS, in the City of Seattle, State of Washington, the Seattle Post-Intelligencer was, for the protection of its 650 loyal employees, forced to suspend publication by the activities of minority groups, having no connection with the newspaper publishing business, contrary to law and order and the constitutional guarantees aforesaid:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Advisory Council and Executive Committee of the California Newspaper Publishers Association, representing three hundred thirty-seven newspapers of the State of California, that the activities of said minority groups be condemned as contrary to the American principle of majority control, and as a violation of the right of the freedom of the press; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Association does most vigorously protest the lawless acts of said minority groups, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the officials of the State of Washington, and the City of Seattle, charged with the responsibility of upholding the law.

TAG FIXING BANE OF TRAFFIC MEN

Vigorous opposition to the iniquitous tag-fixing practice and its first cousin "courtesy cards" as barriers to impartial enforcement of traffic violations is reported by the California Safety Council.

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"The evil finds its way from the lowest court to the high tribunals. It is a sternly independent judge who can ignore the softly requested plea for the defendant uttered by the dispenser of votes, be he the small town boss or a national figure with millions of dollars in patronage.

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STORY OF MEETING WITH BRIGHAM YOUNG TOLD BY CALIFORNIA PIONEER

(Continued from Page One)

Temple, which like Solomon the Brotolype was creeping up tier upon tier of splendid granite, without sound of hammer or axe. Now completed at the present day, it stands a poem in living stone.

We were received at the Lion House by Apostle George I. Cannon, and I then commenced my friendship with that genial gentleman, which lasted many years until his death. We waited until the President was disengaged, when presently the door of the inner office opened and Governor Stanford walked out looking, I though, rather low and dissatisfied. Mr. Cannon said, "The President will now receive you gentlemen," and we were ushered into Brigham Young's private office. I presented my letters of introduction and we were soon deep in discussion of many subjects, of mining industries which Brigham hoped would never defile Utah's bright streams, the two railroads which were stretching out their iron fingers towards Utah, eager to grasp the rich harvest of freight and passengers, California's future and a score of other matters, among them Utah's position as arbiter between the two roads that were so rapidly approaching her borders. I presented the unexampled advantage that would accrue to Salt Lake City if a junction of the two roads should be made at or near the city and strongly impressed on Brigham's mind the error of allowing either road to monopolize such vast resources.

The Union Pacific was then grading past Ogden towards Promentory and I knew that Governor Stanford's wish and aim was to make the connection east of the lake and so share in the Salt Lake City trade, so I drove my arguments home with a vim. I cited cases of eastern cities manacled by a "one rail" monopoly, and I saw that I had convinced George I. Cannon if not the President. As I arose to take leave, the President said: "Mr. Bigelow, my third wife bears your name. I would like you to meet her. Will you take tea with us this evening."

I gladly accepted the honor, and Fred Walker remarked as we were walking home, "You are in luck Bigelow. It is not often the President invites company to his private houses." I went back to the Townsend House and found Governor Stanford gloomy and taciturn. I recounted to him my interview with Brigham Young and his face relaxed. "That's splendid, Henry" said he, "If you can accomplish what I have so nearly failed to do, enlist Brigham's interest on our side, you will have done a big work." I told him of the invitation to tea t hat evening. He said, "Drive home the arguments. Promise anything if he will furnish me labor to meet the Union at Ogden, then ask anything of me you want."

That evening in private association with the President and the Mrs. Amelia and Mrs. Bigelow Young, I exerted myself on behalf of the Central Pacific, and as we parted after the theatre at which we witnessed the creditable performance of Mormon amateurs from Brigham's private box, the President said: "If you should happen to meet Governor Stanford, please tell him I shall be happy to see him tomorrow morning at nine at my office." I hastened back to the Townsend House, found the governor and told him what I thought "good news." At dinner next day, the governor slapped me on the shoulders, "Henry, my boy," it's all fixed right. Brigham will give me one thousand men at Ogden in three days. We will parallel the Union grade to the head of Salt Lake and make permanent connection at Ogden!" After dinner, the governor handed me a blank check. "Fill that out to suit yourself," said he "And I'll sign it." I looked him squarely in the eye as I tore the check up and scattered the bits over the stoop. "What have I done Governor Stanford that you would wish to deprive me of the satisfaction of helping ever so little California's glory," I said. "Oh well," said he, "if you take it that way," and he squeezed my hand most heartily, and I felt that I had won a good friend in the President of the Central Pacific railroad.

After several days fishing in the wonderful streams that flow from the Wasatch Range into Provo Lake, with Fred Walker enjoying the company of Stenhouse, editor of the Salt Lake Herald, and many others of the higher class of Mormon gentlemen, one morning I noticed a black cloud coming rapidly down from Salt Lake before a strong north wind. It soon developed into great swarms of grass hoppers that literally veiled the sun like a dense cloud. They settled down on Salt Lake City and in an hour there was not a green thing visible, but grasshoppers on everything. They ate the paint off the window sashes, the wood off the fence railings, they were in our hair, mouth, eyes and nose and they forced every living man and beast under cover. They lasted until night, when a southerly wind swept them into Salt Lake and then cast them up in festering windrows three feet deep on its sandy shores. That morning Salt Lake City was a paradise of green, that evening, it lay a scorched furnace of blackness. I thought of the plagues of Egypt.

I took stage and toured through Weber Canyon, a most beautiful gorge ornamented with most grotesque and picturesque monuments studding the canyon side, carved by rain and wind out of the fiable sand stone. On we went through alkali bogs, through bad lands into Wyoming, past coal mines just commencing development at Rawlings Springs, when I climbed aboard a work train and sped towards the dome of the continent and Cheyenne, and again by stage one hundred miles to Denver, Colorado. We had heard rumors of Indians raiding all along the road and the stage driver told us that the red devils were closing in on Denver city, it was thought.

Twelve hours fine driving brought us to the mountain city of Denver then barely ten years old, then under a cloud of depression and little realizing the great flood of prosperity and golden wealth, succeeding years would bring with overflowing hands into her treasuries. As the Indians were out, I didn't prospect out side of Denver, but accomplished my business there very satisfactorily, and then thought about taking the back track into Wyoming and Montana and then home to God's country.

But the Indians were out with a vengeance. They raided the suburbs of Denver, killed thirty people at Cherry Creek Crossing and appeared to be collecting for a raid into Denver City. All stage lines were suspended. The Indians had burned the stage stations on the Cheyenne road and run off the stock W.e were beleaguered in Denver of course, then I wanted to get out as bad as Wordsworth's Standing Girl.

At the Grand Central Hotel, I had met General Horace Porter, now ambassador to France and General Babcock, then on General Grant's staff, who were making a tour of military inspection through the territories. They went through with their work at Denver and like myself. "were in haste to begone." "What's the matter with us three taking an ambulance and a good team and trying to force our way to Cheyenne," I suggested. "We are not much afraid of Indians and can but lose our scalps."

They jumped at the proposition and we speedily interviewed the agent of the stage line who gladly assured us that he would let us have a team of his best horses and order up the line so we could change whenever we could find a station standing, but said we must take all risks ourselves and find a driver. He was anxious to open the line to Cheyenne and get troops from the fort to relieve Denver. A driver soon volunteered to go with us when we knew who the party was to go and at three o'clock the nevt morning, we started, each with a repeating rifle and lots of ammunition, wet as well as dry. Horace Porter rode in front with the driver, a stout hardy son of the west. General Babcock and myself took the back seat with rifles between our legs and cartridge belts around our waists.

We passed Dry Creek Crossing and saw the burned wreck of buildings and a mournful procession burying "their dead out of sight." On we went and forty miles out of Denver, we found a stage station with four horses that had just been caught up off the prairie. With this change we went into the low hills south of Cheyenne. A puff of smoke and a low report gave us our first taste of Indian manners and we saw a band of horsemen circling the hills to the right of us. Porter opened fire with his long distance rifle and must have astonished the brave whose horse reared and fell under him. Babcock and I followed suit with our guns, but the Indians didn't relish long distance shooting. They were soon lost among the hills. They followed us into Cheyenne occasionally shooting at our horses and killed two or three people on the outskirts of the town. Porter and Babcock left me for the fort and I took the western bound train to Laramie and Sherman.

At Laramie on the platform stood General W. L. Sherman among a crowd of military folks. "Who's raising this yarn about Indians?" I heard him say. "I am General," I answered handing him a note from General Porter. "By——, they are out sure enough and you say Denver is in danger?" "Why hello, it's Henry Bigelow," he exclaimed after a puzzled look at me (I had known the General well in St. Louis when he was only styled Captain), "You came through the Indian lines from Denver, have you?" said he, "Well, I'll have to open up the road again." And he turned to his aides to give hurry up orders about starting the troops on the road and I stepped back into the car (there were no Pullmans in those days), and resumed my nap.

H. H. BIGELOW.

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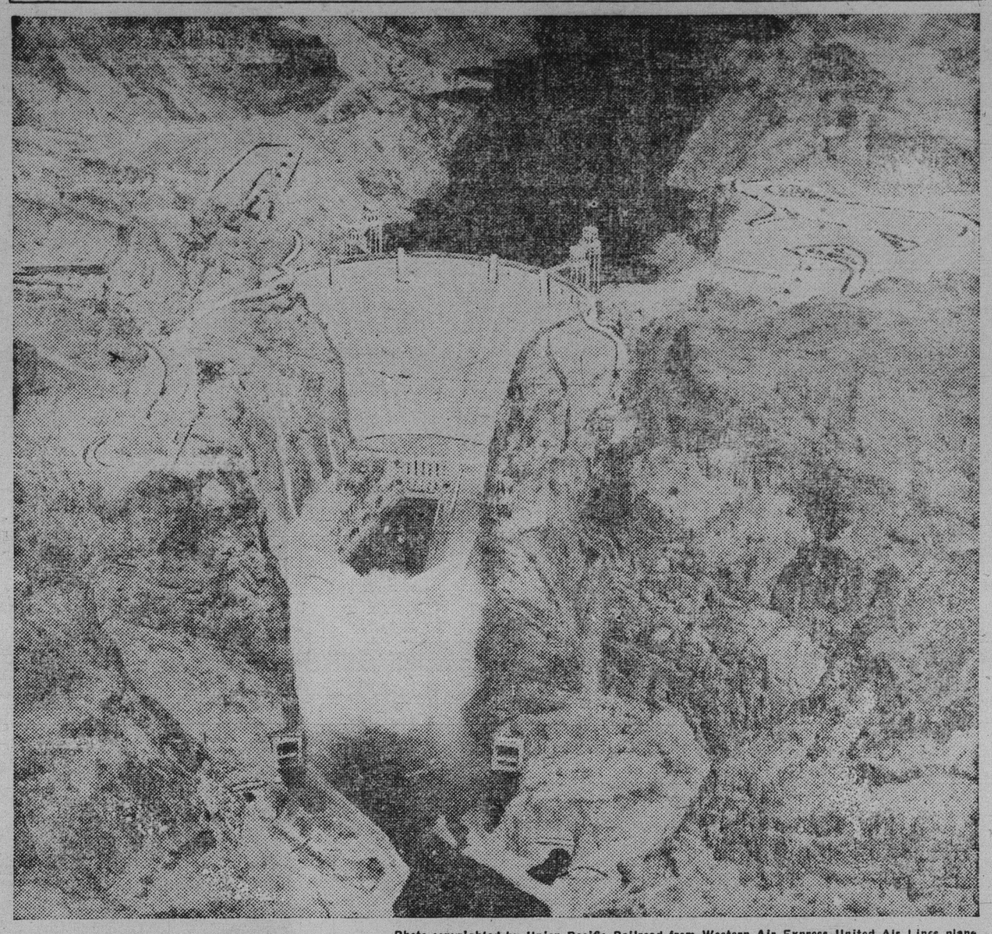

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Personal

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Excavation is gong forward at a rapid rate for a large basement for the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Granholm of Gold Flat. Their home was destroyed by fire several weeks ago.

Mrs. W. H. Wright of East Broad street is having the outside of her home shingled.

Mr. and Mrs. Fern Richards of Sacramento spent the past week end at the home of Mrs. Richards' father, John Bankus, in this city.

Miss Christy Jane Holmes, daughter of A. M. Holmes, has returned from a two weeks vacation spent in Oakland and San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mlinarich and daughter, Josephine, and Mlinarich's father from Eureka, left this morning for a two weeks deer huntting trip. They will go on to Eureka to take Mlinarich's father home before returning to Nevada City. Mlinarich expects to be successful in killing a big mule tail buck.

Mrs. Clyde Magill, who was so severely injured in an automobile accident several weeks ago, was returned to Dr. Rood's hospital in Grass Valley after several days at home in which time her condition did not change. She is recovering from an attack of flu and the arm, in which 22 stitches were taken, is getting along nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ghidotti returned Thursday evening from a ten day vacation spent in Monterey and Carmel and then up the coast to the Oregon state line and into the Klamath Lake country.

Miss Margaret Long, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Long of Nevada City, returned to Chico Sunday to enter Chico State College. This is Miss Long's second year.

Mrs. George F. Lowe, who was severerly bitten by a bull dog at Washington last week, has returned to her home. Dr. B. W. Hummelt of Nevada City was the surgeon and anticipates no ill effects from the wound.

Mrs. Maybelle Norval of North San Juan who underwent a tonsillectomy at the Nevada City Sanitarium Saturday has returned to her home. Dr. B. W. Hummelt of Nevada City was the attending physician.

Richard Eddy, employed at the Miners Foundry in this city received a broken big toe on his right foot a few days ago when a heavy piece of machinery fell on his foot. He will be confined to his home for a time. Dr. B. W. Hummelt is caring for the injury.

Mr. Irving Long, as program chairman of the Rotary Club of Nevada City has secured Betty Martin West, postmaster, speaker for the noon hour Thursday. Members anticipate an interesting talk.

"BIG SISTERS" TO HELP INCOMING FRESHMEN

Amid the busy atmosphere of building activity, some 250 students the first of an increasing student group, attended classes this morning at the Nevada City high school. Although an accurate registration count was impossible at the time of publication, an unofficial approximation would place the number of students registered in excess of 275; and by the end of the week, all former registration records should be surpassed.

The usual opening assembly of the new year was held this morning with an introduction of all faculty members made by Principal H. J. Kjorlie. Student body president John Harding took charge of this gathering and introduced the other members of the student cabinet, all of whom gave short speeches. The remainder of the morning was spent in brief class sessions where in the students were given an opportunity to accustom themselves to new programs and changed classrooms.

Mr. Hobbey of the science department reported a surprising increase in chemistry and biology classes, and a similar report was given by L. E. Sweeney, music department head. The commercial department under Miss Baggley showed a registration on the opening day of 133 with more expected. Miss Peterson, head of the Girls' League has appointed 32 of the older girls to act as "Big Sisters" to the new girls in showing them and helping them to adjust themselves to high school life.

It will be at least a month before the remainder of the class rooms are completed for use. Several important changes have been made in the old building. The musical groups meet downstairs in a newly built class room, while both the boys' and girls' rooms have been rebuilt in the lower part of the building. Science rooms and mechanical drawing rooms have been enlarged and changed, and two hallways lead out of the old building into the new structure.

Classes will be held as usual tomorrow with a full time schedule being observed.

NEW HOME FOR DR. AND MRS. HUMMELT BEGUN

Dr. B W. Hummelt of Nevada City has let a contract to Ralph Cochrane of this city to build a five room shingled house and garage on the lot purchased from C. E. Parsons several months ago. It is situated at the corner of A and Nihell streets near the Gillett Nursery. He stated work is to start tomorrow morning. Plans are to lay out grounds about the new home and Dr. and Mrs. Hummelt are quite happy over the beautiful location which commands view of Harmony Ridge to the north west and Banner Mt. in the east.

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SOCIAL EVENTS

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Miss Nancy Jones Returns From European Tour

Miss Nancy Jones, a member of the Nevada City high school faculty, returned to Nevada City Friday night after vacationing abroad. Miss Jones left Nevada City shortly after school closed in June visiting in the east then went abroad. Part of the vacation was spent in Norway where with five other young women "tramp tours" were taken to various points of interest.

Judge and Mrs. George L. Jones motored to Portland and met their daughter there. Enroute to Portland they greatly enjoyed the trip up the Redwood Empire highway.

Civic Club Meeting At Brand Studio Tonight

The Nevada City Woman's Civis will hold its first meeting of the season at the Brand Studio at eight o'clock tonight.

Nevada City Ladies Attend Club Board Meeting

Mrs. Belle Douglas and Mrs. H. J. Wright spent Saturday in Sacramento as the guests Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rowe. In the morning they attended the Board Meeting and luncheon of the Northern District of California Federated Womans Clubs at the Sacramento Hotel. Mrs. H. M. Leete also attended the board meeting.

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The opening game will be held on September 26 at Auburn against the Placer B team, this schedule replacing the one mentioned in Friday's Nugget The remainder of the outlined schedule includes Roseville on October 3, Grant Union on October 10, Christian Brothers on October 17, and two successive games with Grass Valley on the two following Saturdays. A game with Oroville will be played later in the season, the exact date being yet unscheduled.

Team applicants include the following: M. Burgan, J. Harding, T. Perez, A. Widauf, P. Joyal, J. Kron, B. Joyal, L. Jones, T. Bonner. E. Pingree, B. Barry, B. Proctor, R. Kennedy, C. Tobiassen Jr., E. Doolittle, T. Cartoscelli, G. McCartney, B. Bennett, R. Osterander, J. Englebright, B. Carter, P. Coke, H. Lotz, J. O'Neal, T. Rickard, C. Orzalli B. Pendola.

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On the train was the 1010 Bugle Corps of Emeryville champions of California and Nevada who are contending for championship honors at the convention. Harold Young, former Nevada City boy, now of the bay district, and a son of Mrs. Young, was surprised by his mother being at the train to greet him. The bugle corps played in New Orleans last year and if they win this contest they will be national champions.

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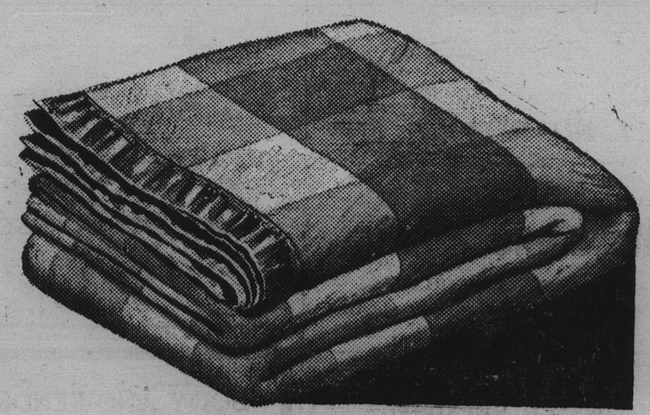

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